Transition Checklist Questions

(For example: Katherine was born on February 12, 2000 and she and her family are currently eligible for AEIS.)

When Katherine is 30 months old (08/12/02), her family may want to ask the following questions:

- 1. Has the service coordinator talked with you about transition when Katherine turns 3?
- 2. Has the service coordinator begun to compile information to share with the local education agency (LEA) and other community programs as appropriate?
- 3. Have you signed a form permitting the service coordinator to give information about Katherine to the LEA and other community programs as appropriate?
- 4. Has the service coordinator contacted the LEA with referral information about Katherine?

When Katherine is 33 months old (11/12/02), her family may want to ask the following questions:

- 1. Has the service coordinator arranged a transition planning meeting with the LEA?
- 2. Has the LEA arranged a referral meeting? (This may be combined with the transition meeting.)
- 3. Was the IEP team convened for the referral meeting?
- 4. Who was the LEA representative at the referral meeting?
- 5. Who was the special education representative at the referral meeting?
- 6. Who was the general education representative at the referral meeting?
- 7. Was the referral accepted for further evaluation?
- 8. Are additional evaluations needed?
- 9. Did someone from the LEA explain your rights under Special Education?
- 10. Did you get a copy of those rights?
- 11. Did you sign a *permission-to-evaluate* form?

When Katherine is between 33 and 36 months old (11/12/02 and 02/12/03), her family may want to ask the following questions:

- 1. Have all evaluations been completed?
- 2. Has the LEA arranged an eligibility meeting? (This meeting may be combined with the referral meeting as no additional data or evaluations are needed to determine eligibility.)
- 3. Is Katherine eligible for preschool services?
- 4. Has the LEA arranged an IEP meeting? (This meeting may be combined with the eligibility meeting.)
- 5. Was the IEP team convened for the meeting?

When Katherine is 36 months old (02/12/03), her family may want to ask the following question:

1. Was the IEP implemented on the third birthday?

Acronyms used in this checklist include:

- AEIS Alabama's Early Intervention System: Statewide system of supports and services for eligible infants and toddlers, birth to age 3, with disabilities and their families (AEIS operates under federal and state law.)
- IEP <u>Individualized Education Program</u>: A written plan developed jointly by the family and school for eligible children ages 3 21 years
- LEA Local Education Agency: The public entity legally responsible for the provision of public education within each community

For more information, call your local school system or Alabama's Early Intervention Child Find at 1-800-543-3098.

